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TW Hya observation



Hogerheijde et al 2011

Dust, Gas, Radiation



The relevant processes

photo desorption

photo dissociation



gas phase formation route





freeze-out/reformation



Dominik et al 2005

A cut through the PDR



Dominik et al 2005

H₂O column density across the disk



Predicted H₂O column density ~3x10¹⁵cm⁻²

Dominik et al 2005

TW Hya model (Hogerheijde et al)



Predicted H₂O column density $\sim 3x10^{15}$ cm⁻²

Effects of vertical mixing

- Vapor-rich and vapor-poor gas is exchanged accross the tau=I surface
- Grains move through the tau=I surface. But not all grains!

Settling below T=I: strong mixing case





Size distribution at different heights



Ice layer on the grains: No diffusion



Ice layer on the grains: With diffusion



Total amount of ice



Total amount of vapor



Conclusions

- Transport effects are very important when computing the amount of molecules in freeze-out zones of a protoplanetary disk
- The ice becomes concentrated not in the midplane, but is slightly enhanced below the tau=I surface
- Still need to include chemical model to compute the fraction H₂O/(OH+O)



